Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives proudly pause to recognize those special young people who have exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in state government; and

Whereas, Zachary C. Walker, a student at the University of Missouri-Columbia, has distinguished himself as an Intern for the Honorable Nathan D. Cooper, State Representative from District No. 158; and

Whereas, Zachary Walker joined the staff of Representative Cooper for the First Regular Session of the Ninety-third General Assembly as part of the Missouri State Intern Program at the state capitol in Jefferson City, a program designed to involve college students in the legislative process through active participation; and

Whereas, Zachary Walker has experienced the opportunity to observe firsthand the inner workings of state government and has gained valuable insight into the process by which laws are made; and

Whereas, Zachary Walker has successfully demonstrated his abilities in the performance of such duties as conducting research, serving as legislative aide and session attendant, helping with constituent services, and assuming various other responsibilities to make the office of Representative Cooper run as smoothly as possible; and

Whereas, Zachary Walker has earned recognition as a valuable asset to Representative Cooper and the entire Missouri Legislature through the application of knowledge and skills acquired prior to his tenure as an Intern and a variety of visible new skills which will be of tremendous value in the job market; and

Whereas, an avid Kansas City Royals fan, Zachary Walker is a student at the University of Missouri-Columbia who plans to go to law school; and

**Whereas**, Zachary Walker has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his parents, Jim and Becky Walker; and one sister, Allyson:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, hereby proudly join the Honorable Nathan D. Cooper in commending Zachary Walker for his many important contributions to our State Legislature during the current session, and further extend to him our very best wishes for continued success and happiness in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Zachary C. Walker, as a measure of our deep gratitude.

Offered by	
_	Representative Nathan D. Cooper
	District No. 158

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2653, adopted April 28, 2005.